

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.J. Res. 109, FY 2001 Continuing Appropriations.

The House passed 24 Sundry Measures.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S9215–S9330*

**Measures Introduced:** Ten bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3107–3116, and S. Res. 360–361. **Page S9267**

#### Measures Reported:

Report to accompany S. 353, to provide for class action reform. (S. Rept. No. 106–420)

S. 893, to amend title 46, United States Code, to provide equitable treatment with respect to State and local income taxes for certain individuals who perform duties on vessels. (S. Rept. No. 106–421) **Page S9267**

#### Measures Passed:

**Red River Boundary Compact:** Senate passed H.J. Res. 72, granting the consent of the Congress to the Red River Boundary Compact. **Page S9316**

**Kansas and Missouri Metropolitan Culture District Compact:** Senate passed H.R. 4700, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Kansas and Missouri Metropolitan Culture District Compact, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S9316**

**Fort Pierre, South Dakota Reconciliation Place:** Senate passed S. 1658, to authorize the construction of a Reconciliation Place in Fort Pierre, South Dakota, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S9316–18**

**Native Hawaiian Health Care Improvement Act:** Senate passed S. 1929, to amend the Native Hawaiian Health Care Improvement Act to revise and extend such Act, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S9318–26**

**Strengthening Abuse and Neglect Courts Act:** Senate passed S. 2272, to improve the administrative efficiency and effectiveness of the Nation's abuse and

neglect courts and for other purposes consistent with the Adoption and Safe Families Act of 1997, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S9326–29**

Gorton (for DeWine) Amendment No. 4209, to extend the authorization of appropriations for an additional year. **Page S9326**

**America's Law Enforcement and Mental Health Project:** Senate passed S. 1865, to provide grants to establish demonstration mental health courts, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S9329–30**

**H-1B Nonimmigrant Visa:** Senate resumed consideration of S. 2045, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to H-1B nonimmigrant aliens, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S9215–29, S9247–51**

#### Pending:

Lott (for Abraham) Amendment No. 4177 (to the committee substitute), in the nature of a substitute. **Page S9216**

Lott Amendment No. 4178 (to Amendment No. 4177), of a perfecting nature. **Page S9215**

Lott (for Conrad) Amendment No. 4183 (to the text of the bill proposed to be stricken), to exclude certain "J" nonimmigrants from numerical limitations applicable to "H-1B" nonimmigrants. **Page S9220**

Lott Amendment No. 4201 (to Amendment No. 4183), in the nature of a substitute. **Page S9220**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following actions:

By yeas to 3 nays (Vote No. 256), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on Lott Amendment No. 4178 (listed above). **Pages S9219–20**

Subsequently, Lott Motion to Recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to report back forthwith, was ruled out of order.

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Subsequently, Lott Amendment No. 4179 (to the Motion to Recommit), of a perfecting nature, and Lott Amendment No. 4180 (to Amendment No. 4179), of a perfecting nature, both fell when Lott Motion to Recommit was ruled out of order.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on Lott Amendment No. 4177 (listed above) and, in accordance with provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Thursday, September 28, 2000.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the committee substitute and, in accordance with provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Thursday, September 28, 2000.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Thursday, September 28, 2000.

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**Continuing Resolution Agreement:** A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 109, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001, at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, September 28, 2000.

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**Suspension of Rule XXII:** Pursuant to Rule V, Senator Daschle gave notice in writing of his intention to move to suspend Rule XXII, to permit the consideration of Amendment No. 4184, to S. 2045.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

John L. Palmer, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund for a term of four years.

Thomas R. Saving, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund for a term of four years.

John L. Palmer, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund for a term of four years.

Thomas R. Saving, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund for a term of four years.

John L. Palmer, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund for a term of four years.

Thomas R. Saving, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund for a term of four years.

James F. Dobbins, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (European Affairs), vice Marc Grossman, resigned.

Betty F. Bumpers, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Institute of Peace for a term expiring January 19, 2001. (New Position)

Betty F. Bumpers, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Institute of Peace for a term expiring January 19, 2005. (Reappointment)

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**Messages From the House:** **Pages S9264–65**

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**Enrolled Bills Signed:** **Page S9265**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—256) **Page S9220**

**Recess:** Senate convened at 9:32, and recessed at 7:30 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, September 27, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9330.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### HUD MANAGEMENT

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation concluded hearings to examine management challenges facing the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and whether reform efforts have demonstrated real and sustainable results, after receiving testimony from Saul Ramirez, Deputy Secretary, and Susan M. Gaffney, Inspector General, both of the Department of Housing and Urban Development;